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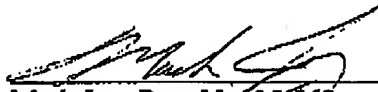
REQUEST FOR TELEPHONIC HEARING

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice of Hearing dated April 2, 2009, and scheduled for Thursday, May 14, 2009, at 9:00 a.m., Appellants hereby request a telephonic hearing.

Respectfully submitted,



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